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requested State Department to instruct consul at Vancouver to issue bills of health to all vessels leaving for Alaskan and other United States ports until further notice.

WYMAN.

Transactions on account of smallpox in northern Maine, Canadian border.

Reports from Lowelltown, Me.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Boothby reports as follows:

May 5. Persons from Quebec for Maine lumber camps inspected, 109; vaccinated, 22; disinfected clothing of, 9.

May 12. Persons from Quebec for Maine lumber camps inspected, 62; vaccinated, 8; disinfected clothing of, 8.

Smallpox at Jonesport and Columbia Falls, Me.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Small, at Eastport, Me., reports, May 19, as follows:

SIR: On the 16th instant I wrote you relative to an outbreak of smallpox at Jonesport, Me. On the 17th instant I learned of the existence of the disease at Columbia Falls, Me. I have written the secretaries of the board of health of both places, but have received no reply as yet.

Yesterday, the 18th, the schooner *Vineyard* arrived here from Jonesport. I boarded her and interviewed Captain Caylor, who is a very intelligent man. He informed me that there are 75 cases of what Doctor Young (secretary of the State Board of Health) diagnosed as smallpox of a mild type. He says the disease is confined to one locality, and is among the poorer class. Precautions are being taken. Will notify you if any other particulars can be obtained.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

Transactions on account of yellow fever at Laredo, Tex.

Inspection of Monterey, Villadama, and Lampazos, Mexico—Investigation of sickness reported at Linares.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Purnell reports as follows:

MONTEREY, May 11, 1904.

I reached here yesterday afternoon, Doctor Ferguson accompanying me. I secured a conveyance at Mina yesterday and proceeded overland to Hidalgo, which place is located immediately on the railroad. It has a population of between 2,000 and 3,000, all Mexicans. There has been no unusual sickness at this place lately, and but one death during the past four months. There being no other points demanding an investigation on the railroad, I took passage on a freight train for Monterey, and reported my arrival by wire. Doctor Goldberger came in from Tampico last night.